Enter Salarino and Salanio.

Salar. Why man, I ſaw *Baſſanio* vnder ſayle,
With him is *Gratiano* gone along;
And in their ſhip Ime ſure *Lorenzo* is not.
Salan. The villaine Iew with outcries raiſde the Duke,
Who went with him to ſearch *Baſſanios* ſhip.
Salar. He came too late, the ſhip was vnder ſaile,
But there the Duke was giuen to vnderſtand,
That in a Gondylo were ſeene together
Lorenza and his armorous *Ieſſica.*
Beſides *Anthonio* certified the Duke,
They were not with *Baſſanio* in his ſhip.
Salan. I neuer heard a paſſion ſo confuſed,
So ſtrange, outragious, and ſo variable,
As the Dog Iew did vtter in the ſtreetes,
My daughter, O my ducats, O my daughter,
Fled with a Chriſtian, O my chriſtian ducats.
Iuſtice, the law, my ducats, and my daughter.
A ſealed bag, two ſealed bags of ducats,
Of double ducats, ſtolne from me by my daughter,
And iewels, two ſtones, two rich & precious ſtones,
Stolne by my daughter: iuſtice, finde the gyrle,
She hath the ſtones vpon her, and the ducats.
Salar. Why all the boyes in Venice follow him,
Crying his ſtones, his daughter, and his ducats.
Salan. Let good *Anthonio* looke he keep his day,
Or he ſhall pay for this.
Salar. Marry well remembred,
I reaſon'd with a Frenchman yeſterday,
Who told me, in the narrow ſeas that part
The French and Engliſh, there miſcarried
A veſſell of our country richly fraught:
I thought vpon *Anthonio* when he told me,
And wiſht in ſilence that it were not his.

Salan.

Salan. You were beſt to tell *Anthonio* what you he
Yet do not ſodainely, for it may greeue him.
Salar. A kinder Gentleman treades not the earth,
I ſaw *Baſſanio* and *Anthonio* part:
Baſſanio told him he would make ſome ſpeede
Of his returne: he anſwered, do not ſo,
Slubber not buſineſſe for my ſake *Baſſanio,*
But ſtay the very riping of the time,
And for the Iewes bond which he hath of me,
Let it not enter in your minde of loue:
Be merry, and employ your cheefeſt thoughts
To Courtſhip, and ſuch faire oſtents of loue,
As ſhall conueniently become you there.
And euen there his eye being bigge with teares,
Turning his face, he put his hand behinde him;
And with affection wondrous ſenſible,
He wrung *Baſſanios* hand, and ſo they parted.
Salan. I thinke he onely loues the world for him:
I prethee let vs goe and finde him out,
And quicken his embraced heauineſſe,
With ſome delight or other.
Salar. Do we ſo.

Enter Nerriſſa and a Seruitor.

Ner. Quicke, quicke, I pray thee, draw the Curt
The Prince of Arragon hath tane his oath,
And comes to his election preſently.

Enter Arragon, his traine, and Portia.

Por. Behold, there ſtand the Caskets Noble Princ
If you chooſe that wherein I am contain'd,
Srraight ſhall our nuptiall rights be ſolemniz'd:
But if you faile, without more ſpeech my Lord,
You muſt be gone from hence immediately.
Arra. I am enioyn'd by oath to obſerue three thin
Firſt, neuer to vnfold to any one